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(54) PRECIPITATION HARDENING MOLYBDENUM SINGLE CRYSTAL AND PRODUCTION **THEREOF**

(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To easily obtain a heat-resistant material having excellent high temp. strength without causing recrystallization embrittlement by forming a molybdenum polycrystal containing titanium carbide and then annealing.

CONSTITUTION: After a molybdenum polycrystal containing 0.01-0.5wt.% titanium carbide is formed into a body, the body is annealed to obtain the objective single crystal. This single crystal is a precipitation hardening molybdenum single crystal of molybdenum containing 0.01-0.5wt.% titanium carbide. Since the precipitation hardening molybdenum single crystal does not cause changes in the metal structure or interglanular slip at high temp., it does not cause recrystallization embrittlement. As a result, the obtd. crystal has excellent high temp. strength, causes no mechanical breaking, can be widely used as a heat-resistant material to be used, for example, a furnace material of a nuclear reactor or nuclear fusion reactor, a base plate for burning of ceramics, a base plate for reduction of uranium, and a chamber of a heater.

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